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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 12, 24 and 29 without prejudice, and amend claims 1, 7 and 15 as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A charger system comprising:

a charger comprising coupling means for coupling to a rechargeable device, wherein the coupling means includes charging means for providing an electrical charge to the rechargeable device and means for transferring data to the rechargeable device and means for receiving the data from a remote source, means for providing the remote source with notification as to when the charger is not available and when the charger is available for receiving the data from the remote source, and means for storing the data from a remote source in a storage means of the charger and means for selectably transferring the data upon receipt from the remote source to at least one of the means for transferring data to the rechargeable device and a storage means of the charger wherein said selectable transfer is (a) selectable by a user, or (b) based on one or more parameters, or (c) performed automatically.

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2.(Original) The charger system of Claim 1, wherein the charging means provides an electrical charge to the rechargeable device and the means for transferring transfers the data to the rechargeable device simultaneously.

3.(Original) The charger system of Claim 1, wherein the means for receiving data receives the data from the remote source via the Internet.

4.(Original) The charger system of Claim 1, wherein the rechargeable device is a device capable of functioning as a remote control device.

5.(Original) The charger system of Claim 1, wherein the data includes a list of executable commands.

6.(Original) The charger system of Claim 1, wherein the data includes a schedule for operating an electronic device via the rechargeable device.

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7. (Currently amended) A method of providing data to a rechargeable electronic device comprising the acts of:

- coupling the rechargeable electronic device to a charging device;
- charging the rechargeable electronic device;
- receiving data from a remote source via said charging device;
- providing the remote source with notification as to when the charging device is not available and when the charging device is available for receiving the data from the remote source;
- selectably storing the received data within the charging device or transferring the data received from the remote source to the rechargeable electronic device via the charging device, wherein said act of selectably storing or transferring the data is (a) selectable by a user, or (b) based on one or more parameters, or (c) performed automatically.

8. (Original) The method of Claim 7, wherein the remote source is a server; and further including the step of initiating transfer

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of the data from the server to the charging device by transmitting a request signal to the server.

9.(Original) The method of Claim 7, further including the steps of:

processing the data transferred to the rechargeable electronic device; and

controlling an electronic device via the rechargeable electronic device in accordance with the processed data.

10.(Original) The method of Claim 8, further including the step of programming the charging device via the remote source to transmit the request signal to the server.

11.(Original) The method of Claim 8, further including the step of programming the charging device via the rechargeable electronic device to transmit the request signal to the server.

Claim 12 (Canceled)

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13.(Original) The method of Claim 7, further including the step of replacing previously stored data within the charging device with the data received from the remote source.

14.(Original) The method of Claim 7, further including the steps of:

storing the data transferred from the charging device to the rechargeable electronic device within the rechargeable electronic device;

replacing previously stored data within the rechargeable electronic device with the data transferred from the charging device.

15.(Currently amended) A charger system comprising:
means for receiving data from a remote source via a charging device;

means for providing the remote source with notification as to when the charging device is not available and when the charging

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device is available for receiving the data from the remote source,

means for storing the received data within the charging
device;

means for coupling the rechargeable electronic device to the
charging device;

means for charging the rechargeable electronic device;

means for transferring the received data to the rechargeable
electronic device via the charging device;

means for selectably transferring the received data from the
remote source to at least one of the means for storing the received
data and the means for transferring wherein said selectable

transfer is (a) selectable by a user, or (b) based on one or more
parameters, or (c) performed automatically.

16.(Original) The charger system of Claim 15, further
comprising:

means for processing the data transferred to the
rechargeable electronic device; and

means for controlling an electronic device via the

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rechargeable electronic device in accordance with the processed data.

17.(Original) The method of Claim 15, wherein the remote source is a server; and further comprising means for initiating transfer of the data from the server to the charging device by transmitting a request signal to the server.

18.(Original) The charger system of Claim 17, further comprising means for programming the charging device via the remote source to transmit the request signal to the server.

19.(Original) The charger system of Claim 17, further comprising means for programming the charging device via the rechargeable electronic device to transmit the request signal to the server.

20.(Previously Presented) The charger system of Claim 1, wherein said selectable transfer occurs in response to a time-based

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event.

21. (Previously Presented) The charger system of Claim 1, wherein said selectable transfer is overridable by said user via activation of a charger switch of said charger or a device switch of said rechargeable device.

22. (Previously Presented) The charger system of Claim 1, wherein said selectable transfer is initiated by said remote source and is provided to a plurality of said charger systems subscribed to an update service provided through said remote source.

23. (Previously Presented) The charger system of Claim 22, wherein said selectable transfer initiated by said remote source occurs at repetitive predetermined times.

Claim 24 (Canceled)

25. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 7, wherein said

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act of selectably storing or transferring occurs in response to a time-based event.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 7, wherein said act of selectably storing or transferring is overidable by said user via activation of a charger switch of said charging device or a device switch of said rechargeable electronic device.

27. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 7, wherein said act of selectably storing or transferring is initiated by said remote source and is provided to a plurality of said charging devices subscribed to an update service provided through said remote source.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 27, wherein said act of selectably storing or transferring initiated by said remote source occurs at repetitive predetermined times.

Claim 29 (Canceled)